

Potosi Journal.

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POTOSI, MISSOURI.

Science now claims to tell the age of fish by their scales. No scientist, however, has yet discovered a method by which to tell the age of a fish story.

It will be shown by the United States census that fully 1,000,000 married women are employed in the factories of the country. It is rather a sad commentary upon the married men of the land.

A sanitary testament for use in the administration of oaths has been put on the market. It is bound with white celluloid instead of leather, and it can therefore be washed and disinfected from time to time.

Political buttons cannot be worn in Canada during the heat of a campaign. This is due to a clause in the dominion franchise act which says that no person shall exhibit any sign of his political faith after the official nominations are made.

The plan of a town in Missouri for portable schools to keep up with the shifting population never will appeal to the small boy. From his point of view it is bad enough to dance to go to the school without having the school come tagging around after him.

One of the most frequent uses to which the telephone is put by French country subscribers is that of an alarm to wake them in the morning. Those who wish to be aroused at a given hour have only to advise the telephone administration the night before of the hour at which they wish to be rung up.

Thanksgiving day originated in 1621, when Gov. Bradford, of the Plymouth colony, appointed a day for public praise and prayer after the first harvest. The practice was taken up by the other colonies and during the revolution was introduced in a number of the middle states, since then extending to all states and being a regular national holiday since 1863.

It is believed by the engineers who are repairing the Galveston-Mexico cable, which was broken by the Galveston hurricane, that the storm was accompanied by a submarine eruption. The evidence of this eruption is found in the twisted condition of the cable. The sheathing is found to have been reversed and the wires binding it to the core turned the wrong way.

Just previous to the recent election a Tennessee editor ventured on a forecast of coming events and invited his readers to watch the result and see how far he missed. In his latest issue he manfully owned up as follows: "We are now able to state we missed it by exactly the space between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans east and west and from the great lakes to the Gulf of Mexico north and south."

The recent loss of the cruiser Yosemite during the typhoon at Guam was fortunately not attended with heavy loss of life. It means one ship less, and a very efficient ship was, even though she was nothing more than an auxiliary cruiser. Oriental waters seem to be extraordinarily dangerous to American ships. First the Charleston was wrecked, then the Oregon narrowly escaped destruction, and now the Yosemite is a total loss.

A two-story street is now being planned for crowded London. It is proposed to have an elevated iron sidewalk directly above the ordinary walk, and at street corners light steel bridges will provide passages from one side to another, while at every other street corner there will be stairways, and the shops along the street can have show windows and entrances on the second floor as well as the first. The idea is credited to Charles Dickens, who suggested such a plan as far back as 1864.

Great Britain and Ireland, with a population of 40,000,000, cast only 4,316,703 votes at the recent parliamentary election. As compared with the vote of some 15,000,000 in this country this would seem to indicate an apathetic feeling, but in reality it was not so much apathy as the very conservative suffrage laws that kept the vote down. The ruling classes in England have not yet reached the point where they will fully trust the common people to participate in the government.

The census shows some queer things about Texas. For instance, Bailey county has but four residents, Crocker has 25, Andrews 37, Lynn 17, Dawson 36. Twenty-five others have less than 50. Some counties have no running stream within their borders, some are hundreds of miles from a railroad and some are almost wholly inhabited by prairie dogs, jackrabbits and rattlesnakes. Tom Green county, the largest in the state, has 45,000 square miles, which is larger than the whole state of Ohio, and has but 6,904 inhabitants. Great state.

Whether Mr. Kruger's reception in France has any political significance and results or not, it furnishes a picturesque page in history. It is a remarkable experience for an old man who has spent most of his life in trekking and fighting savages in South Africa to find himself suddenly lionized by one of the greatest nations and most cultured peoples in the world. Of course the animus of the whole business, as far as the French are concerned, is plain enough, but that does not lessen the contrast between Oom Paul's former occupations and his present position.

They have woman suffrage out in Wyoming, and one recent candidate has learned that to his cost. A bad "break" ensued his defeat. He is John Thompson, and he ran for representative in congress. In an evil hour he made a public statement that the woman vote was the easiest to get, the easiest to keep and the easiest to manipulate. These words ran like wildfire among the women voters of the state, and so exasperated them that they turned out in mass on election day and cast their ballots against Thompson and he was defeated.

A WEEK'S HISTORY

The Important Happenings of a Week Briefly Told.

IN ALL PARTS OF THE UNION

All the Latest News of Interest from Washington, From the East, the West and the South.

THE LATEST FOREIGN DISPATCHES

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

A bill providing for a bridge across the Mississippi at Dubuque, Ia., was passed in the United States senate on the 6th. The rest of the time was devoted to consideration of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in executive session. In the house the army reorganization bill was passed by a vote of 166 to 133, with an amendment prohibiting the canteen.

After an executive session, in which no business of importance was transacted, the United States senate on the 7th adjourned to the 10th. In the house the Groulx bill, intended to prevent the sale of butter for butter, was passed. The war revenue bill and a measure authorizing the appointment of Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, as a captain on the retired list of the navy upon his resignation from congress were favorably reported.

The United States senate was not in session on the 8th. In the house a bill was introduced to provide habitations and employment for the homeless poor. The day was devoted to paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Alfred C. Harner, of Pennsylvania.

FROM WASHINGTON.

During the past year the total receipts from all sources of postal revenue amounted to \$102,354,579 and the expenditures reached \$107,740,267. In the last fiscal year 448,572 immigrants arrived in this country, an increase of 136,537 over the previous year.

The postmaster general in his annual report says that during the fiscal year the total receipts from all sources aggregated \$102,354,579; total expenditures, \$107,740,267, leaving a deficit of \$5,385,688.

Mary L. McLean, mother of John R. McLean, of the Cincinnati Enquirer, and Mrs. Dewey, wife of Admiral Dewey, died at her residence in Washington, aged 72 years.

The exports from the United States to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, Hawaiian and Samoan islands will aggregate \$50,000,000 this year, against \$41,000,000 in 1899.

THE EAST.

At the leading clearing houses in the United States the exchanges during the week ended on the 7th aggregated \$2,253,620,544, against \$1,782,744,333 the previous week. The increase compared with the corresponding week of 1899 was 15.3.

In the United States there were 287 business failures in the seven days ended on the 7th, against 184 the week previous and 221 the corresponding period of 1899.

The Harvard men won the annual debate with Yale at Cambridge, Mass. H. J. Hayden, second vice president of the New York Central road, was killed by a fall from his residence in New York.

The barge Charles Foster foundered off Erie, Pa., and the crew of eight perished.

In New York John McAniff, a well-known artist, aged 70 years, was killed accidentally by falling from a window of his residence.

James Parker, of Ellisdale, N. J., was found to be innocent and released after serving seven years of a 13-years' sentence in the penitentiary in Philadelphia.

The death of George Knight, aged 83, whose prison service of 43 years is a record unequalled, occurred at the state prison at Thomaston, Me.

WEST AND SOUTH.

A packing firm in New York paid \$2,145, or \$1.50 a pound, for a steer at the fat stock show in Chicago.

A mob lynched Dan Long, a negro, near Ivanhoe, Va., for criminally assaulting Mrs. Fisher.

A row and a split in the organization ended the Ohio Federation of Labor, convention.

A bill was passed by the Alabama legislature calling for a constitutional convention to restrict the negro vote.

In the past season 110 persons lost their lives on the great lakes, against 100 in 1899.

At Pontiac, Mich., J. J. Axtell, ex-parson, barber and pugilist, was knocked out in 43 seconds by Kid O'Hara, of Detroit.

The death of John Lawrence Manning, formerly United States senator, occurred at his home in Laurens, S.C.

At the Morgan Park (Ill.) academy students celebrated a victory at football by burning a building.

A skeleton of a woman chained to a rock on the edge of Great Salt Lake gave a clue to a tragedy 50 years ago.

The oldest mason in the world, Adna Adams Treat, died at Denver, Col., aged 103 years and 8 months.

In Canton, O., the Saxton block, owned by Mrs. M. C. Barber, sister of Mrs. McKinley, was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$300,000.

At the age of 91 years William N. Jackson, the oldest man in active railroad service in the United States, died at Indianapolis.

About 2,000 telegraph operators on the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, covering the territory from Chicago to San Francisco, went on a strike, badly crippling the road.

J. W. Coppinger, former United States consul to Toronto, died at Alton, Ill., aged 49 years.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

On the Necochea river in Luzon Gen. Funston attacked and routed 100 Filipinos.

For murdering Miss Annie Griffin, his sweetheart, George Arthur Pearson was hanged at Hamilton, Ont.

Consuls in Turkey report a dreadful condition of affairs in Armenia, and state that hundreds of Armenians are daily being killed.

Warsaw and Philadelphia have been ordered from San Diego, Cal., to South America, on a mysterious mission, with Admiral Kautz in command.

In a speech at Durban Lord Roberts indicated the beginning of a conciliatory policy by Great Britain toward the Boers.

A Chinese reformer says the Chinese people hate the dowager empress and blame her for the calamities of the nation, and that the emperor's restoration is the only plan for peace. In the British parliament Joseph Chamberlain said that civil rule would soon be established in the South African republics, with Sir Alfred Milner as governor.

Portugal and Holland have quarreled over the question of the Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marques and have recalled their ministers.

Great Britain has not formally notified the powers of its annexation of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. Orders have been given all the foreign ministers in Peking except the British envoy to sign the joint demand on China.

The czar of Russia wrote to Kruger expressing sympathy, but saying that owing to illness he could not receive him nor help his cause. In the states of Jalisco and Guerrero, Mexico, floods drowned hundreds of cattle.

American advance in the Philippines is being rapidly made, with but little actual fighting.

LATER NEWS.

In the senate, on the 10th, Hon. Charles A. Towne, recently appointed by the governor of Minnesota to succeed the late Senator Davis, took the oath of office. No business of importance was transacted in open session, the senate going into secret session on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as soon as the routine business had been disposed of.

In the house, with special reference to the memory of the late Representative Alfred C. Harner, of Pennsylvania, the senate going into secret session on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as soon as the routine business had been disposed of. In the house, the legislative day was devoted to a debate on a bill which occupied three hours and ten minutes' debate. The bill carries \$24,496,308. No other business was transacted.

Col. Picquardt, who was so prominently identified with the Dreyfus case, has addressed a memorial to the French chamber of deputies, protesting against the amnesty bill, which, he says, will include him "among the forgers and authors of forgeries who will profit by amnesty."

Walter D. Glenn, formerly cashier of the Traders' Loan and Building association of Chicago, who disappeared last summer with a charge of being over twenty thousand dollars short in his accounts hanging over him, was placed in the Cook county jail, on the 10th, pending trial.

Gov. Roosevelt of New York, on the 10th, appointed as delegates-at-large to represent the state of New York at the meeting of the National Live Stock association to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, January 15 to 18, Isaac V. Baker, Jr., John Dwight and Carl S. Burr, Jr.

The president, on the 10th, transmitted to congress extended reports on the agricultural resources of Porto Rico, with special reference to the establishment there of an agricultural experiment station.

The Lorain (O.) Steel Co. resumed work, on the 10th, at its blooming, converting, finishing and shaping mills, with more than three thousand men employed in the entire plant.

The statistician of the agricultural department reports 10,100,000 bales as the probable cotton production of the United States for 1900-1901.

At the Presbyterian hospital in New York, on the 10th, Lieut. Hobson was reported to be greatly improved and out of all danger.

"The condition of the king of Sweden," says a Copenhagen correspondent, "has improved lately, but it is still serious."

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

The salmon output in the northwest exceeds that of all former years. In Prussia an income tax is levied on all whose income exceeds \$225 a year.

King Victor of Italy had a narrow escape from drowning while viewing the flood in Rome.

An agreement has been reached setting aside \$20,833 a month for Countess Castellane, Jay Gould's daughter.

H. M. Hanna, brother of the senator, gave Cleveland hospital Northern Pacific preferred stock valued at \$82,000. Since the repeal of the Colorado law providing for capital punishment there have been 73 murders in Denver and vicinity.

A shipment of 100,000 young peach trees from Georgia nurseries, bound for Cape Colony and Natal, South Africa, has been made.

An organization for employment of all idle labor is being formed in Boston under the title of the Workers' Cooperative association.

Thirteen colored women, whose ages range from 35 to 75, are attending night school in Jersey City, N. J., and taking their first lessons in reading.

Horseshoes weighing an ounce each and just a trifle larger than a silver dollar were turned out in a California shop for a Shetland pony six months old.

A furniture dealer in Providence, R. I., offers to provide the minister, marriage feast and wedding trip to young couples patronizing him for household goods.

The famous old race horse Robert J., who went a mile in 2:01 1/2 against time, and went a mile in 2:02 1/2, was sold at a recent New York horse sale for \$625.

The New York Central railroad will spend \$2,500,000 in improving its harbor property at Boston. The plan includes the largest grain elevator on the Atlantic coast.

An Alabama geologist who has been prospecting in the neighborhood of Decatur says he has found unmistakable traces of gold and phosphate within 15 miles of the city named.

The gross earnings of 143 representative railroads for the first nine months of this year amount to the sum of \$893,991,000. This is \$80,000,000 more than the same roads earned for the corresponding time in 1899.

MISSOURI ITEMS CONDENSED.

In the federal court at Hannibal judgments were recorded against Macon county aggregating \$230,603.

Representative Benton hopes to get through congress this session his measure providing for the federal buildings at Carthage and Nevada, and increasing the appropriation for Joplin to \$105,000.

Following the report of State Treasurer Pitts for November: Balance on hand October 31, \$720,582.23; receipts for November, \$200,866.81; disbursements, \$131,289.59; balance on hand November 30, \$790,159.45.

Thomas McMullin shot and fatally wounded A. S. Chambers at Excelsior Springs. The trouble between the men grew out of the Farmers and Merchants' bank failure. Chambers' father was president of the bank and McMullin cashier.

Robert Tibbs and two companions confined in the jail at Lamar, charged with burglarizing the hardware store of Johannes & Sons, broke out by cutting through the floor of their cell and removing two stones from the foundation of the building.

At Hilliard, Butler county, Mr. and Mrs. John Hale celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. At the same time their son, Charles Hale, and wife observed their twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, and the latter's son, Charles Hale, Jr., was married to Miss Anna Sypher.

Seventy-three barrels of apples, representing 22 Missouri counties, were sent to the Paris exposition last spring. United States Pomologist E. J. Brackett reports that the Missouri exhibit represented one-fourth of all the American apples shown—and it was awarded 12 preliminary first prizes and a grand prize. Of the last but three were given.

Aaron Rife, a resident of Corning, was probably fatally shot while duck hunting. He was concealed on the bank of a small lake when a large flock of ducks approached. Rife got up to fire, at the instant a party of friends to the rear blazed away. He received almost the whole contents of a double-barreled shotgun in the back of the head and shoulders.

The farm house of Isaac Stephens, of Butler county, was destroyed by fire the other morning. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens and the two children escaped in safety, but Mrs. Stephens entered the house in hope of saving \$75, which was locked in a bureau drawer. While in the building, she was suffocated by smoke and cremated, despite the efforts of her husband to save her.

Mrs. Lou V. Stephens, painted in oil, is the first lady to grace the walls of the executive mansion at Jefferson City. Portraits of former governors there are in plenty, framed in massive gilt and heavily carved woods, but none of the governors' wives nor feminine relatives. The women of Jefferson City, whose fondness for Mrs. Stephens is marked, resolved early this fall to remedy matters and at their own expense had an artist do the work.

In the United States court at Hannibal the case of the Bank of Kirksville vs. the Fidelity Casualty company was dismissed after the evidence for the plaintiff was all in. The defendant demurred to the evidence and Judge Adams sustained the demurrer on the ground that the plaintiff had failed to show that the bank had been burglarized. The alleged burglary occurred some time ago and \$4,000 was lost. The question arises, who got the \$4,000?

R. D. See and wife, a deaf and dumb pair of Fair Grove, Greene county, claim to be heirs to a \$60,000 estate in Ireland. Mrs. See is a first cousin of the late Lord Downey, of Ireland. Mrs. See's oldest son, Fred, by right of succession, will now have the title of "lord" affixed to his name. He can go back to Ireland and be a sure enough lord. Mr. and Mrs. See are both deaf and dumb. They have a large family of intelligent children, all of whom can both hear and speak.

Four prisoners, escaped from the county jail in Butler about three o'clock in the afternoon, among them was Bank McGinnis, sentenced to be hanged December 20. Escape was effected by breaking the lock during the absence of the guard whom they had sent after an attorney, under pretense that they desired to consult with him. McGinnis and Frank Stewart were recaptured shortly after their escape, giving themselves up to the undersheriff and frightened deputies without resistance.

Spring water on tap the year round is a luxury every farmer can have almost anywhere on his premises if he but follows the experiments of the commissioners of Buchanan county at the county farm, where the water problem had become a serious matter. At the poor farm it has been devised to catch and store the water falling on 30 acres of land. A large trench was excavated to a depth of ten feet, and led to an old well that had gone dry. By means of layers of rock and cement the water falling on this tract soon filled the well to overflowing. The surplus water constantly on hand is 5,000,000 gallons.

F. M. Wolfe, defeated democratic candidate for the legislature in Greene county, filed a notice of protest against E. P. Norris, the republican representative-elect. The contest is based on the alleged fact that Norris neglected to pay his taxes. It is said Norris failed to pay 65 cents personal taxes against him.

Senator Cockrell introduced a bill for the relief of the state lunatic asylum at Fulton. It would provide an appropriation of \$40,000 for repairs to the building, necessitated by their occupation by United States troops during the civil war.

Charles M. Hays, the former Missouri boy who recently became president of the Southern Pacific at a salary of \$55,000 a year, began his career in a St. Louis railway office 27 years ago at a salary of \$40 a month. The St. Joseph police commissioners announced that all the wine-rooms in the city will be closed as saloons. Other reforms are to follow soon, as a result of the crusade against vice by the Ministerial alliance.

A 24-inch vein of coal was said to have been discovered on a farm near Rushville, Buchanan county.

TOWNE TAKES HIS SEAT.

Credentials of Minnesota's New Senator Presented and Mr. Towne Sworn In.

TOOK HIS SEAT ON DEMOCRATIC SIDE.

Mr. Chandler, of New Hampshire, Called Attention to a Superfluous Clause in the New Senator's Credentials Which was Unwarranted Under the Constitution.

Washington, Dec. 10.—When the senate convened Mr. Chandler (N. H.), Mr. Bate (Tenn.), and Mr. Turley (Tenn.), who heretofore during the present session had not been in attendance, were in their seats.

Mr. Charles A. Towne, appointed to succeed the late Senator C. K. Davis, of Minnesota, also was in attendance. Mr. Nelson (Minn.) at once presented the credentials of Mr. Towne and they were read.

Mr. Chandler (N. H.), chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, directed attention to the last clause of the credentials, which was that Mr. Towne should hold his seat until "his successor was elected and qualified." He said the constitution provided simply that the appointee should hold office until the legislature had met.

"In the credentials presented," said Mr. Chandler "the governor has undertaken to prescribe the length of the new senator's term. The added clause of the credentials, of course, are superfluous. I desire simply to call attention to this fact and have no intention to object to the swearing in of Mr. Towne."

The new senator was conducted to the desk by Mr. Nelson, and the oath of office was administered by Mr. Frye, the president pro tem.

Mr. Towne was congratulated warmly by many of his colleagues as he took his seat on the democratic side of the chamber.

A bill to provide for the appointment of an additional district judge in the northern judicial district of Ohio was passed.

Mr. Hanna (O.) offered a resolution that a committee of three senators be appointed by the president pro tem to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the president of the United States on the 4th of March next. Under the rules the resolution went over.

The senate, after the transaction of some routine business, at 12:35, on motion of Mr. Lodge, went into executive session.

HOUSE.

Under the rules of the house, the day belonged to the District of Columbia committee, but owing to the desire of the leaders to proceed with the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, District day was postponed until a week from Tuesday. The legislative bill was immediately taken up.

Mr. Bingham (Pa.), who was in charge of the measure, made a preliminary statement of its contents, and there being no desire to speak from either side of the house, general debate was closed, and the bill was read for amendment under the five minute rule.

THE BOOZ HAZING CASE.

The Father of Oscar L. Booz is Preparing a Statement of the Case for Congress.

New York, Dec. 11.—William H. Booz, father of Oscar L. Booz, whose death is attributed to hazing by fellow cadets at the West Point military academy, is preparing a statement which he will present to congress and the war department, says a Bristol (Pa.) dispatch to the World. The statement will be turned over to Congressman Wanger, and he will be asked to bring about a thorough investigation of the charge that young Booz was cruelly treated.

In the document will be the details of the hazing told by the dead cadet, extracts of letters received from him by his family and also names uttered by him in his delirium.

GOV. THOMAS GIVES REASONS.

Why Colorado's Governor Didn't Honor a Requisition From Gov. Mount of Indiana.

Denver, Col., Dec. 11.—"My reasons," said Gov. Thomas, "for refusing to honor the requisition papers of Gov. Mount of Indiana, for Clinton Oxborn, were that they were not made out in correct form. I have sent them back to have them rectified."

Gov. Thomas denied the refusal of Gov. Mount to allow the Kentucky authorities to extradite W. S. Taylor, former governor of that state, charged with complicity in the murder of Goebel, had in any manner influenced him.

Oxborn is charged with having swindled J. Mayer Greene, of Valparaiso, out of \$10,000.

Our Insular Markets.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Experts from the United States to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippine, Hawaiian and Samoan islands will aggregate \$50,000,000 in the year 1900, against \$41,000,000 in 1899, \$19,000,000 in 1898, and \$17,000,000 in 1897.

Freight Brakeman Killed.

Newton, Ill., Dec. 11.—Vite O. Hubbard, head brakeman on train 981, east-bound, on the Swift City branch of the Illinois Central, was caught under the wheels at the crossing here, Sunday afternoon, and killed.

Sold to Cleveland Syndicate.

Elgin, Ill., Dec. 11.—The Elgin City, Carpentersville & Aurora railway yesterday was sold to a Cleveland (O.) syndicate of railway promoters for \$550,000, of \$110 per share. The road extends from Carpentersville to Geneva, about twenty miles.

Jackson County's Tall Man Dead.

Murphyboro, Ill., Dec. 11.—Carter Barrow, the tallest man in Jackson county, died yesterday at one o'clock of typhoid fever. His height was six feet eleven inches.

MRS. BREWER RECOMMENDS PERUNA FOR GRIP AND FEMALE CATARRH



In a letter to Dr. Hartman concerning the merits of Peruna, Mrs. Brewer writes, among other things:

"Dear Dr. Hartman—I find Peruna a sure cure for all catarrhal affections so common in this part of the country. It cures a cold at once. There is no cough medicine that can at all equal Peruna. As for the grippe, there is no other remedy that can at all compare with Peruna."

"I am among the sick a great deal in our city and have supplied many invalids with Peruna, simply because I am enthusiastic in my faith as to its merits. I have never known it to fail to quickly and permanently remove that demoralized state of the human system which follows a grippe."

"In all cases of extreme weakness I use Peruna with perfect confidence of a good result. In cases of weakness peculiar to my sex I am sure that no other remedy can approach in good results the action of Peruna."

It meets all the bad symptoms to which females are subject. The irregularities and nervousness, the debility and miseries which afflict more or less the women from girlhood to change of life, are one and all met and overcome by this excellent remedy. I wish every young lady in our city could read your book."

"Mrs. Lizzie M. Brewer."

Peruna will cure the worst cases of catarrh. The grippe is acute epidemic catarrh, for which Peruna is a specific.

Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, of New Lisbon, Ohio, suffered for many years with chronic catarrh of the lungs, head and throat; continuous cough; many physicians failed to cure. Permanently cured by Peruna. Thousands of testimonials could be produced. A valuable treatise on catarrh sent free by The Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, O.

Vest's Stolen Pigs.

"Another story that Vest told related to his candidacy for the legislature in 1893 against A. S. Walker. The canvass was exceedingly exciting because of the near approach of war, and all the questions incident to it were discussed with much animation. Charges and counter-charges were made. Both sides knew that about six votes either way would determine the contest, and on the day before election Walker raised the point on Vest that he had stolen some pigs. The only way that Vest could meet the charge was to acknowledge smilingly that he had the pigs in his pen and in his possession. If he had gone further and said that he had bought them—which they hoped he would do—they had witnessed to show that the pigs were not bought, but Vest was too shrewd to be caught in the trap, and turned the accusation off with a laugh and the remark:

"One catarrh count on Vest for his boys get pigs."—St. Louis Republic.

A LIFE SAVED.

A Druggist's Timely and Straight-Forward Advice Saves the Life of a Prominent Citizen.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 10, 1900 (Special).—Among the Catholic Foresters in this city, none is better known or more universally esteemed than Mr. S. P. Rush, Conductor (President) of Holy Name Court, Number 26.

His many friends, inside the Order and outside of its ranks, were, therefore, much startled to learn that his life was in danger, he having Bright's Disease, that most terrible and fatal disease.

Mr. Rush, however, made a grand struggle for his life, taking prescriptions, and pills, and powders, until his stomach refused food. At last, his last druggist, guided by the famous inquiry of a man named Mr. Stone for Dodd's Kidney Pills, advised Mr. Rush to buy and try some. This he did, and to his delight he was restored to health and strength.